

ABSTRACT

A method and system for a network component (700) for determining when to provide services to power saving client devices (701) is disclosed. The method comprising the steps of receiving a requested servicing method (420) from the client device (701), determining an ability to accommodate (420, 510, 630) the requested servicing method, and providing an indication of the ability to accommodate (435, 450, 470) the requested servicing method to the client device. In one aspect of the invention the ability to accommodate is based on at least one factor selected from the group consisting of, the requested service method, a proposed schedule, current demand at the network component, and the current operating state of the network component (420, 510, 630).